

– both localities in North Hampshire. The situation in each case was a bat-roost, where *C. fallax* was collected with other arthropods from the accumulated dung, suggesting a specific association. Mr Woodroffe was so good as to send me a specimen from the Bramshill site, dated 5.x.56. I have not seen a published record of this latter occurrence.– A.A. ALLEN, 49 Montcalm Road, Charlton, London SE7 8QG.

***Callicera aenea* (Fabr.) (Dip.: Syrphidae) in North Hampshire**

Among the 481 moths attracted to m.v. light at Wake's Cottage, Selborne, on 25 August 1995 was a large golden hoverfly, which reminded me of pictures I had seen of the genus *Callicera* (Morely, 1942 *Trans. Suffolk Nat. Soc.* 5: 14). Mr Nigel Wyatt of the Natural History Museum kindly identified the specimen as *Callicera aenea* Fabr., a species that had been at one time annually recorded from the New Forest and had been found, but irregularly and singly, in localities up to Yorkshire (Colyer and Hammond, 1951 *Flies of the British Isles*, Warne, London; Coe, 1953 *Handbooks for the Identification of British Insects: Diptera – Syrphidae*, Royal Entomological Society, London; Stubbs and Falk, 1983 *British hoverflies*, British Entomological and Natural History Society, Reading). Most of the specimens have been observed at flowers and this Selborne occurrence may be the first noted at light. The insect had probably been first drawn to our wild clematis blossom and thence to the light.

Callicera aenea seems to be associated with pine woods and the larvae have been found in water-filled holes in pine stumps. As Selborne supports very few pines, this fly may have arrived from sandier habitats. On the other hand, an association with birch may be a possibility.– ALASDAIR ASTON, Wake's Cottage, Selborne, Hampshire GU34 3JH.

***Tetheella fluctuosa* (Hb. (Lep.: Thyatiridae) at Selborne, Hampshire**

In Goater (1991 *The Moths and Butterflies of Great Britain and Ireland*, 7(2), Harley Books, Colchester), Hampshire is not cited as a main habitat for the Satin Lutestring, *Tetheella fluctuosa*. Indeed, Goater (1992 *The Butterflies and Moths of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight: additions and corrections*, Joint Nature Conservation Committee, Peterborough) lists only the following published reliable occurrences: Farringdon (early 1950s), Whitehill (1953, 1955), Alice Holt (1969), Bordon (1970, 1971, 1973) – all the foregoing in VC12 – and Winchester (1983) in VC11.

It was therefore very interesting to capture and photograph four specimens at my cottage m.v. light in Selborne on 7, 13, 14 and 26 July 1995. As there are extensive stands of birch on Selborne Common and in Priory Wood, and as the specimens were in fresh condition, this species could well be breeding in the vicinity.– ALASDAIR ASTON, Wake's Cottage, Selborne, Hampshire GU34 3JH.